

## Sierra National Forest – Willow Creek Watershed Collaborative Ecological Restoration Planning Process



## THIS IS YOUR FOREST – THIS IS YOUR WATERSHED HELP PLAN ITS FUTURE!

The forest supports all of us. We use it for recreation, gathering, hunting, camping, timber, peace and beauty. It produces clean air and water. It shelters native plants and wildlife. The condition of the forest can help prevent wildfires and floods.

The Sierra National Forest is interested in creating guidelines for future restoration projects on the Willow Creek Watershed (the forest area that drains into Bass Lake and Willow Creek). They want the people who use and love the forest to answer the questions:

- WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO 'RESTORE' THE FOREST?
- WHAT DOES A RESTORED FOREST LOOK LIKE?
- HOW DOES IT SERVE THE COMMUNITY, STAKEHOLDERS, AND WILDLIFE?

You are invited to participate in a Forest Collaborative Planning Process. This will be a six month process with one or two gatherings every month. We will share our views, listen to others, explore scientific information, and try to reach agreement on 'desired conditions' for the forest. The Sierra Nevada Conservancy is providing facilitation support.

The <u>Kick-Off Meeting</u> will be held **Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm** in North Fork (location to be announced). Lunch will be served and further information will be provided. Upcoming <u>Field Trip Dates</u> are **Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>** and **Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>**.

To RSVP and/or if you want to be put on the mailing list, please contact Aimee Smith <u>asmith03@fs.fed.us</u> at (559) 877-2218 ext. 3151.

